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## July 2007 Potato Creek State Park Program Descriptions

Programs are free of charge (except as noted) and open to the public after paying the park admission fee.

All programs begin promptly at scheduled times. (Eastern Time Zone)

PARENTS: an adult must accompany children under 14.

**ANT LIONS-**These tiny insects are almost as ferocious as real lions. Learn more and maybe feed one. 45 minutes

**BEAVER TALES** - Find out why "Nature's Engineers" are busy at work cutting trees and making wetlands. 40 minutes.

**BEINGA FIELD NATURALIST** - Join a naturalist to experience a morning of field observation work. 3 hours.

**BIRD ID BASICS** - Pick up some tips on identifying birds, then practice at our bird window. 45 minutes.

**BUG SUCKERS** - Come learn a little about insects and make a bug sucker to take home. 30 minutes.

**BUTTERFLY ADVENTURE-**Join in the search for these colorful creatures, then play a game to learn more. 45 minutes **CEMETERY TOUR** - Hear of the burial traditions and symbolism of a 19<sup>th</sup> century cemetery on this tour. 1 hour.

CREEK PEEK – Join us for a wet walk to & in the creek to discover lots of cool critters in their aquatic habitats. 1 hour

**DRAGONS OF THE AIR** - Learn about these fascinating and diverse hunters - the dragonflies! 30 minutes.

**FARMLAND TO PARKLAND** - This slide show will look at the park's history and development. 1 hour.

**FEEDING TIME -** Stop by the Nature Center to watch the animals being fed. 30 minutes.

**FISH FACES** - Try your hand at the art of fish printing. Bring a washed T-shirt to decorate or use our paper. 45 minutes.

**FORESTRY PUBLIC MEETING-**A chance for you to hear about and expreess opinions on these forestry programs.

**FOSSIL DIG** - Come join in the dig as we learn how to search for signs of the past.

**FRIEND OR FOE?** - Giant mosquito or harmless cranefly? Learn how to tell the blood-thirsty from the harmless. 30 min's.

**HIKE BACK IN TIME** - Join us on this walk to see and hear of the park's history. Some off trail walking. 1 1/2 hours.

MAKIN' TRACKS - Come learn about animal tracks and make a track book to take home. 45 minutes.

MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL DEDICATION - Come celebrate the opening of Potato Creek's newest feature.

MUSICAL MESSAGES - Hear how scientists are decoding the musical messages birds send to one another. 30 minutes

MYSTERY OF WORMS - Unearth the mystery and discover worms' benefits to the soil and to humans. 45 minutes

**OTTER NONSENSE** - Learn about the playful river otter, then make an otterly terrific craft. 45 minutes.

**OWL PELLET INVESTIGATION** - Dissect an owl pellet to get an inside look at the life of these hunters. 30 minutes.

**PARK PATCH PROGRAM** - Find out how to earn a patch while enjoying the park. Ages 5 and up.

**REPTILE REVIEW** - Take a look at a few of our native reptiles and then meet one up close and personal. 45 minutes.

**ROADKILL CAFE** - While you might not want to see the menu, turkey vultures don't mind eating roadkill. Discover more about this "buzzard" and their vital role as nature's garbage men. 30 minutes

**SCATOLOGY 101 -** That pile of "poo" (scat) on the trail can reveal amazing facts about the animal it's from. 45 minutes.

**SNAKES OF PCSP** - Stop by for an overview of our local snakes and meet one. 30 minutes.

**SPIDERS** - Could you make a web? Find out how it's done as we take a look at these fascinating creatures. 45 minutes.

**TREE ID SPREE** - Join us to learn how to identify a few trees as well as folklore about them. 1 hour.

**TURTLE TOPPERS** - Learn about turtles and make yourself a turtle topper to take home with you. 45 minutes.

**UNCOMMON FACTS ABOUT COMMON BIRDS** - Can a chickadee's feathers really provide up to 70 degrees of insulation in the winter? How do woodpeckers survive the 10G force of their never ending pounding on trees? For the answers to these questions and many more join Wild Birds Unlimited Chief Naturalist John Schaust, as he takes a humorous and revealing look at many of our most common backyard birds.

**VAMPIRES & OTHER BLOODSUCKERS** - Get the facts about ticks & mosquitoes before they bite you! 45 minutes **WETLAND WONDERS** - Join us for a closer look at what happens below the surface of the park's wetlands. 30 minutes

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## Mountian Bike Trail Dedication July 28 10:00AM Beach Parking Lot

Come celebrate the newest feature at Potato Creek.





## When you Travel, Don't Move Firewood! Stop the spread of Emerald Ash Borer